

DLI hosts open house at Monte Vista School

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PRESIDIO OF MONTEREY, CALIF. Feb. 28, 2006 -- The Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center is hosting an open house at the Monte Vista Elementary School, 251 Soledad Drive, March. 2, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. to celebrate the completion of upgrades and renovations and to foster positive community relations as a new neighbor.

"Our lease of the Monte Vista Elementary school is the result of the ongoing spirit of cooperation we share with the City of Monterey, the Monterey Peninsula Unified School District and the local community," said DLIFLC Commandant, Col. Tucker B. Mansager.

DLIFLC has seen an increased demand for military linguists and enhanced language proficiency of graduating students to support the Global War on Terror. Monte Vista School provides much needed office and work space for Curriculum Development and Evaluation and Standardization departments. The lease of Monte Vista School will ultimately help DLIFLC students achieve higher proficiency levels by freeing up space for classrooms and teachers on the Presidio of Monterey.

Monte Vista Elementary School has been leased for three years, with an option to extend the lease for another two years. The MPUSD will receive approximately \$364,000 per year for the lease of the facility.

DLIFLC has invested about \$1.65 million in upgrades and Internet/electrical wiring which can be left behind for the school district when the lease expires.

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